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WAS LOS — Was Los tapped Carl Hayden after Tuesday Chapel this week. Hayden, a member of Sigma Phi, plays varsity basketball, soccer, and golf. He has been a member of DT and is the senior editor of the 'Hamiltonian.' Last week, Was Los tapped Chip Mason, an Emersonian and the president of the sophomore class. He is a member of the soccer and lacrosse teams and has been in DT.

Rushing Committee Suggests Severe Punishment for Threats

At the meeting of the Student Senate last Monday, Doug Kirkpatrick announced the Rushing Committee's recommendation to deal severely with reported cases of threats of physical violence to freshmen.

The committee, according to the report, felt that no witnesses should be required to substantiate a case, since to require witnesses would be to eliminate the possibility of a conviction's ever occurring. Threats, it felt, would thus continue.

The committee also recommended that each house be held strictly accountable for the actions of its members. Kirkpatrick pointed out that a house could "easily dispel any (false) claims of threats by proving that the freshman involved can be quietly and pleasantly assimilated into the house."

Stiff Punishment

For any house which should be found guilty of using threats and which cannot by assimilating the freshman "undo the harm it might have caused, the committee recommends the stiffest possible punishment, including, if necessary, the loss of an entire pledge delegation."

Kirkpatrick stressed the Rushing Committee's view that the penalties should be made severe not to punish houses but rather to discourage houses from using threats in the first place.

He further noted that the Judiciary and Rushing Committees should not be looked upon as police agencies. But they should, he said, thoroughly investigate any reported threats.

The report also discussed other phases of the Rushing Committee's work during the past year.

Off-Hill Rushing

The committee favors the continuance of the policy of prohibiting off-hill rushing parties, since it "believes that rushing should not be carried on while classes are in session."

The report also discussed the committee's stand on two rushing violations and noted that the committee in each case "tried to be as objective and use as little personal discretion as possible."

It noted that "taking anything into consideration other than the statement of the rule can only result in confusion, subjective judgment, and the probability of being more unfair than the rule itself could be."

Kirkpatrick also noted that "since the committee was small, it was our policy to keep discussion going until we had reached a solution which all members could agree on; all our decisions were, in the end, unanimous."

Student Praises Watercolors, Drawings in Root Art Exhibit

—*by* KENT KADICK

The current exhibit at the Root Art Center—a selection of American drawings and watercolors gathered by the late Edward W. Root—is designed to show two things.

Its first aim is to emphasize Root's outstanding ability to recognize a worthwhile work of art. Most of the artists included in the exhibit now have established reputations. The second aim of the exhibit is to offer the layman a chance to learn about modern art.

The show is keyed to the layman's point of view. Significant drawings are labeled with comments about their virtues or intentions. The exhibit includes almost all modern art, with only the very foremost avant-garde painting styles omitted.

Outstanding Works

Each of the works is worthy of long notation, but some are more outstanding than others. Edward Hopper's *Skyline, Near Washington Square,* which hangs in the central reception room; George Luks' *Daughter of the Mines,* on the opposite wall; and Lionel Feininger's *Approaching Squall,* in the front hallway, are very typical and are amply described by accompanying cards.

Other painters of similar worth, however, are left undiscussed. One of these is Jimmy Ernst, who visited Hamilton last year. Two of his works, *Improvisation* and *Calligraphics,* are in the exhibit.

Possibly the most controversial drawing in the exhibit is *Nude,* by the outstanding modernist, Robert Motherwell. Motherwell's purpose in this work, which commands a central position at the top of the stairs, was to convey meaning with the fewest possible lines.

Expressionist

Charles Birchfield, who was discovered by Root in 1929, is represented by his *Village Lane, Morning Sunlight.* Birchfield, one of the outstanding American painters of the 1930's, is noted for his expressionistic recreations of Buffalo, New York.

Awakening Night is the creation of Mark Tobey, an artist inspired by the Orient. The painting, which hangs in the Art Center's main hallway, aims at creating an impression of the scintillating glow of lights in early evening.

Saul Steinberg, a cartoonist for the *New Yorker Magazine,* is also represented by his *At the Bar.* Among the other painters whose works are in the exhibit are Boardman Robinson, Charles Demuth, Adolf Dehm, Arthur G. Dove, Morris Graves, and Theodoros Stamos.

The exhibit will remain at the Art Center until May 7. It is worth seeing and definitely worth studying.

Five Hill Students To Study Abroad At Paris School

Five Hamilton students will participate in the College's Junior Year in France Program next year, Prof. Marcel I. Moraud, director of the program, announced Tuesday.

Ed Heinemann, Dave Michelson, Jon Sheeser, Pete Schofer and Lorin Weisenfeld will participate with 37 other students in the program.

The program, according to Moraud, is intended for those juniors who, "for reasons of their background, preparation, and interests, will benefit most from a year's study of French language, literature, and civilization."

The students will leave by boat for Paris on Sept. 2. They will register at the University of Paris, Facultes des Lettres, and at the various institutes where they plan to study.

During the academic year, which extends from Oct. 22 until the middle of June, the students will live at the homes of French citizens.

The curriculum in France is arranged to grant full credit towards a Hamilton degree. Each student, after successfully completing the academic program, will be awarded 24 credits.

The expenses for the year abroad, Moraud said, are approximately the same as those at Hamilton. Each student pays $2,400 for travel, tuition, room, and board. Personal expenses, gratuities, and book purchases are not included.

Two Hill Seniors Win Top Award In Annual Debate

Paul Wagner and Bob Lanson, debating for the negative, won the 89th annual McKinney Prize Debate on Wednesday night at Emerson Hall. Wagner also won the award for the best speaker.

The topic of debate was *Resolved: that persons accused of international war crimes should be tried by an international tribunal.*

Dave Lieberman and Max Stachura debated for the affirmative.

Each debater gave a 10-minute constructive speech and a five-minute rebuttal.

The judges for the debate were Dr. Nelson Guild, assistant professor of government, Dr. James Brown, assistant professor of economics, and Mr. Donald Collier, instructor in Spanish.

Colgate Triumphs Over 21 Schools In Annual Debate

Colgate University won the first annual Willard B. Marsh Memorial Debate Tournament, which was held here last weekend, Dave Lieberman, director of the tournament, announced Tuesday.

Colgate, with 847 points, finished ahead of the Rochester Institute of Technology, which had 788 points. Three teams, Buffalo, Alfred and Cortland, tied for third place with 762 points each.

The Debate Club, which sponsored the tournament, presented awards to the three best speakers for the negative and for the affirmative.

Each participating school entered one or more two-man teams for the tournament. The topic of the debate was *Resolved: that the United States should adopt a program of compulsory health insurance for all its citizens.*

Lieberman noted that the enrollment for the tournament had doubled this year. Last year 11 teams participated, whereas 22 teams debated this year.

Kinokunst Presents

Kinokunst will present *Wild Strawberries,* directed by Ingemar Bergman, tonight and tomorrow night in the Chemistry auditorium at 8 p.m. Admission is 50 cents.

Visiting Scientist To Give Lecture On Meteorology

Dr. Glenn R. Hilst, meteorologist and vice-president of the Travelers' Research Center of Hartford, Connecticut, will speak on *Meteorology—A Physical Science* on April 26, at 8 p.m., in the Chemistry auditorium. Earlier in the day, at 4 p.m., he will conduct an informal meeting in the conference room of Commons. At this meeting he will advise interested students about the best undergraduate preparation for meteorology.

The American Science Foundation will sponsor the lecture.

McEwen Announces Appointments Of Next Year's Faculty and Staff

President Robert W. McEwen announced the changes in the faculty for the coming academic year at a meeting of the Board of Trustees on Apr. 8.

Ten members of the present faculty will not teach here next year. One man will retire, three will resign, and six men will be on leaves of absence.

Mr. Berrian Shute, professor of music at Hamilton for 35 years, will retire at the end of the current academic year. Shute studied for six years at the Institute of Musical Art in New York City before joining the faculty. He also did advanced work abroad and was a special lecturer at Columbia University.

Three men will resign from their present posts. Mr. John P. van Alstyne, '43, who is an associate professor of mathematics this year, has been on the faculty since 1948. He has accepted a position at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute in Massachusetts.

Mr. James D. Brown, instructor in economics since 1959, and Dr. Thomas C. Pinney, instructor in English since 1959, have also resigned.

Three men will work next year under faculty fellowships. Prof. Colin F. Miller, Dean of the Chapel, and Dr. Stanley Ogilvy, associate professor of mathematics, will spend the entire year away from the College. Dr. John R. Mattingly, professor of Latin, will be absent during the first semester.

Prof. Earl W. Count has been granted a leave of absence to conduct a special research project at the University of California at Berkeley. The National Institute of Health awarded a grant to conduct the work.

Dr. William C. Stebbins, assistant professor of psychology, will accept a post-doctoral research fellowship from the University of Washington at Seattle.

Prof. Marcel I. Moraud, chairman of the department of romance languages, will supervise the Junior Year abroad in France next year.

Mr. Frank Piano will resume his position as an assistant professor of romance languages next year. He has supervised the Junior Year in France program this year.

Three men and one woman will join the faculty for the coming year.

Mr. Stephen Bonta will be an instructor in music. Bonta received an A.B. degree from Yale University and an A.M. from Harvard and Columbia Teachers College. From 1952 to 1954 he taught music and mathematics at the Taft School. A teaching fellow at Harvard since 1956, he has been head assistant there for the past two years.

Dr. John H. Morey will be an assistant professor of English. Morey received an A.B. degree from Worcester and an A.M. and a Ph.D. from Cornell University. At Worcester, Morey was the assistant director of admissions. Morey served as a teaching assistant at Cornell for two years and from 1957-1960 was an instructor in English at Ohio Wesleyan University. He has been an assistant professor there for the past year.

Miss Betty B. Lanham, who received B.S. and A.M. degrees from the University of Virginia, will be assistant professor of anthropology. Miss Lanham studied sociology at the London School of Economics and is now studying for her doctorate at Syracuse

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Painting Demonstration

Mr. William C. Palmer, director of the school of art of the Munson - Williams - Proctor Institute, will give a painting demonstration on Wednesday, Apr. 26, at 8 p.m. in the Root Art Center.

Students Compete For Hill Offices In Final Elections

Tim Melchior and Bob Riordan will compete next Tuesday in a run-off election for the office of president of next year's senior class.

Also next Tuesday, Pete Badger and Steve Plant will oppose each other in the run-off election for junior class representative - at - large, whereas Tim Mills and Gary Sutton will compete in the run-off election for sophomore representative-at-large.

Melchior, an Alpha Delt, was secretary-treasurer of his sophomore class and a member of DT, the sophomore honorary society. He has played varsity soccer and is now vice president of the junior class.

Riordan is a member of DU. He played varsity football before going into the Marine Corps for four years.

Badger, a Chi Psi and a member of DT, has been on the track and football teams. He will be an advisor in Dunham Dormitory next year.

Plant, a Theta Delt, plays varsity football and is a member of DT.

Mills is a pledge of Alpha Delta Phi. He is a member of the Freshman Council and of the lacrosse team.

Sutton, a pledge of TKE, sings in the Choir and is a member of the Advisory Board of the Root Art Center.

MIXED OPINION —

Faculty Discusses Attendance

—*by* DOUG WHEELER

"Rarely do members of the faculty agree with one another," a professor told the *Spectator* Wednesday, "and the subject of required attendance is one about which we disagree most heartily." His point was supported by colleagues who argued for and against the present system of required attendance.

According to the *Student Handbook,* "responsibility for attendance in class and for satisfactory academic progress rests initially with the individual student and his instructors." The *Handbook* explains further that "students in a course numbered 31-32 or above are exempt from the penalty of being dropped with a grade of FF" if they should overcut it.

When the faculty decided to make the student more responsible for his own education, Dean Winton Tolles explained, it decided that juniors and seniors should not be allowed to regulate their own attendance.

Restrictions on attendance were later imposed, he said, when members of the faculty complained that the absence of large numbers of juniors and seniors from courses below the 31 level "had a harmful effect on the morale of the classes involved." Freshmen and sophomores who attended classes with upperclassmen, the Dean explained, were influenced to cut classes themselves. Tolles added that attendance in courses affected by the new restrictions has improved.

Now as in the past, Tolles added, juniors and seniors in courses numbered 31-32 or above are expected to attend classes regularly. Regulation is unnecessary in such courses, he said, because a student realizes that he cannot afford to cut when competition is keen.

Prof. Colin F. Miller of the department of philosophy and religion, who favors the present system, believes that those students who lack the motivation to attend required courses should be forced to do so. In this way, Miller argued, a teacher may present material that could develop a new interest for a student and affect the course of his college career.

Miller does not take attendance in his 35-36 course because he finds that students generally attend. "They have already developed an interest," he said, "and need not be forced to do so."

Takes No Attendance

Another professor, whose name is withheld by request, replied that he "couldn't care less" when asked to comment on required attendance. "I have more important things to do," he said, "than to take my students by the hand." The same professor admitted that he never takes attendance and does not care whether or not a student attends classes, if he can master the material by himself. "I feel, however," he added, "that this cannot be done."

Dr. David M. Ellis, professor of history, disagrees with Dean Miller, Especially in the history courses, he said, a student can get most of the material from books.

Ellis believes, however, that attendance may be necessary to receive full value from a science course.

It is more important that a student attend small classes, Ellis said, than large ones. "When three or four students are absent from a seminar of 13 or 14," he explained, "nearly a quarter of the class is missing." In a large lecture class, on the other hand, ten students could be absent and "it wouldn't make too much difference."

Checks Attendance

Ellis said that attendance in his 21-22 class at 8 a.m. was poorer than that in a 33-34 course later in the day. He checks attendance in both classes and recommends a warning when necessary to compel attendance.

In many cases, he said, students who were warned of poor attendance would have failed the class if they had not been warned. But most students, he said, receive no penalty for cutting frequently. Instead they lose the benefit of a doubt when he computes marks at the end of a semester.

Dr. David Hawley, professor of geology, is critical of the present system, but notes that a professor is free to enforce it as he chooses. He believes that a professor should have the power to expel a student whose low marks result from poor attendance but feels that a good student should not be forced to attend classes if he can master the material without coming.

In keeping with this philosophy, Hawley permits geology students with a course average of B or better to cut more often than those whose work is not as good. "I don't like to put people on cut probation," he said, "if their marks are good."

Hawley believes that the time needed to take attendance should be used for class work. The College spends money, he noted, to employ women whose only job it is to record the names of absent students.

Hawley prefers leaving the matter of attendance to the instructors themselves. "After all," he asked, "is it more important whether students attend classes or whether they pass or fail?"

FRENCH STUDENTS — Lorin Weisenfeld, Ed Heinemann, David Michelson, Pete Schofer, and Jon Sheeser will study in France next year under the Hamilton Junior Year in France Program.

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No Objections —

At the meeting of the Student Senate on Monday night, the Rushing Committee presented in its final report a recommendation about the prevention of fraternity threats to freshmen. The committee suggested that any freshman threatened next year by a member of a fraternity be allowed to complain to the Judiciary Committee, whether or not he can produce a witness to the threat. If this committee can produce no additional evidence, the fraternity will be declared guilty of ungentlemanly conduct on the basis of the freshman's accusation and will be so punished.

Such a rule is necessary, for, if a witness were required in order to obtain a conviction, no convictions could ever occur and threats would still continue. Such a rule is not unfair, for, if a fraternity were unjustly convicted, all it need do to avoid a penalty is disown any threats which its members might have made and quietly and pleasantly assimilate the freshman into the house. Indeed, no threat can be considered complete until a house supports the threat of an individual member by refusing to disown it. Then, a penalty must be and will be severe.

The representatives of the student body showed their recognition of the need for and wisdom of the Rushing Committee's recommendation when not one of them objected to it or even questioned it. In so giving their approval, they have given to next year's Judiciary Committee a strong weapon which, we hope, will not only prevent threats but also make total opportunity rushing more workable.

A Reconsideration Urged

In September of 1959 the faculty, in an attempt to make the student more responsible for his education, initiated a program including comprehensives, senior studies, and independent coverage of course work. As part of the same program, the faculty granted to juniors and seniors the right to regulate their own class attendance.

In September of 1960, however, the faculty became disturbed at the large number of cuts, revoked the right of juniors and seniors to regulate their own attendance in courses numbered below 31, and reinstated the traditional system of cut warnings. The faculty made this decision because "the absence of large numbers of juniors and seniors from a class populated mostly by freshmen or sophomores had a harmful effect on the morale of the class involved."

Dean Winton Tolles mentioned that under last year's system freshmen and sophomores who saw upperclassmen cutting classes decided that they too should cut. This cutting by underclassmen could have easily been prevented, however, simply by sending cut warnings to those freshmen and sophomores who were overcutting.

The **Spectator** agrees with the philosophy announced by the faculty in 1959 that upperclassmen possess enough maturity and academic experience to regulate their own class attendance. A professor could, we believe, explain this philosophy to underclassmen, remind them that they lack academic experience and do not know when they can afford to cut, and send cut warnings to those that still persist in cutting. By using the philosophy in this manner, he could conveniently regulate class attendance.

A more logical argument for not allowing upperclassmen to regulate their own attendance, but one which no member of the faculty to whom the **Spectator** has spoken presented, is as follows: Underclassmen who see upperclassmen cutting might conclude that upperclassmen can obtain adequate grades without working. Next they might conclude that, since upperclassmen do not work, they too should not work, even though they are required to attend classes.

Yet even this argument, although superior to the previous one, has flaws. Underclassmen might still under the present attendance system conclude that they need not work, for now they see at lectures upperclassmen forced to attend writing letters, sleeping, or doing other homework. We challenge any member of the faculty who does not believe this to attend a large lecture class and see for himself.

Indeed, the presence at lectures of upperclassmen who do no work may harm morale even more than their absence. For freshmen and sophomores, seeing that juniors and seniors attend classes but do not work, will begin copying them at something which a professor cannot prevent. Whereas, if last year's attendance system were in use and an underclassman started copying upperclassmen's cutting, a professor need only send him a cut warning. We believe that underclassmen's morale will improve if, when they attend classes, they see and emulate students who listen and take notes, instead of upperclassmen who, forced to attend, catch up on their sleep.

We also wish to dispute Professor Miller's argument that the faculty should require attendance in courses below the 31 level on the assumption that even a student forced to attend a class may develop an interest in it. Most students who are forced to attend will, as we have shown above, refuse to listen to lectures. Indeed, they are determined not to become interested. And, in that student in whom a germ of interest is already present, it will develop from the student's doing reading required from among the works of great historians, philosophers, or poets. If these great geniuses cannot develop interest, it is most unlikely that a lecturer — no matter how brilliant or interesting — will.

Furthermore we disagree with the argument that, since the faculty possesses more knowledge than the students, it should force them to learn. We agree that the faculty knows more, but that it should therefore force knowledge on students does not logically follow. This argument directly contradicts the faculty's announced policy that students, especially juniors and seniors, should assume more responsibility for their education. Moreover, it is contradicted by experience. Few educators will question a professor's ability to compel a student to attend a lecture; most will question his ability to compel this student to listen.

We believe that the faculty's arguments for requiring attendance are poor and for this reason urge reinstatement of last year's policy. Yet for an even more important reason do we urge this reinstatement — the current attendance policy is not only illogical; it also interferes with the education of the student.

We can safely assume that most courses numbered below 31 are less difficult than those numbered 31 or higher. Many upperclassmen can learn the material of a course below 31 without attending class, but this is not true in courses numbered above 31. Dean Tolles' statement that students in courses above the 31 level know that they cannot afford to cut corroborates this fact. Now let us see how the present system can harm a student's studies.

Oftentimes students will have a good reason, such as an hour exam later in the day, for having to cut a class. For example, some student may have two classes on a certain morning, one of which he feels he must cut in order to study for an exam. One of these courses could be numbered 12, whereas the other could be numbered 32. The present attendance system discourages him from cutting the class numbered 12 — that is, the class in which he could make up the work. Rather it encourages him to cut the class which he cannot afford to miss. This student may begin to wonder whether the faculty is interested in warming seats or in educating students.

The one advantage of the present attendance system is that it allows the individual professor to regulate attendance in his classes however he wishes, since he need not request the Dean's Office to send cut warnings if he does not want to. Yet, although this system does solve the problem of attendance for the individual professor, it does not solve it for the student. For example, a professor may require a student to attend a class in which he could cover the work by himself. And, this student, prevented from cutting this class, may with good reason feel it necessary to cut another class, in which he knows that he cannot do the work by himself but in which the professor either cannot or does not want to enforce the attendance regulations.

Since the purpose of this College is to educate students and not to fill classrooms, we urge the faculty to consider the problem of attendance not only from its own viewpoint but also from that of the student. We ask the faculty to reconsider the present attendance system and either to change it or to present more consistent reasons for maintaining it as it is.

HERE AND THERE

by Bruce Moulton

As the snow fell — "This must be next winter because it was summer last Saturday. And summer fell on Saturday last year."

And in anticipation of spring — "Nice thing about spring is that you can drink outdoors."

The fun and games at Lauderdale received comment from both the Hobart and Amherst papers. "Regardless of what should have been done, some thing has been done. Large fines and artificial changes have been imposed on anyone who stops to light a cigarette or looks cross-eyed at a policeman. Several of the students who spend part of their vacation getting tan through bars have been expelled from their colleges," wailed the Hobart and William Smith *Herald*.

The Amherst article is headlined:

Impressions of Lauderdale:
A Gigantic Flop in the Sun

"Ft. Lauderdale was a mess, but an interesting one. My first impulse upon viewing the five miles of crammed beach was to compare the ocean of collegiate humanity I found there with a view of Fifth Avenue from the Empire State Building on a Wednesday at noon, or to awe at the wonderful amount of carbon dioxide issuing from that beach.

"The college sweatshirt symbolized the number of institutions represented on the Lauderdale beach and the varieties of sweatshirt strengthened my confidence in the proliferation of American colleges and universities . . .

"To stay in Lauderdale was to put Darwin's hypothesis to the ultimate test. Incredible overcrowding led to the refinement of all sorts of survival techniques. Each had to display some specialty to survive successfully, and the gimmicks ranged from Turkish Sultan costumes to hand-walking. But no one deserted and very few souls moved to less crowded ecological niches. The townsfolk were very upset, bless their tranquil souls . . .

"Girls were procured by force alone and the cult of nastiness ran rampant . . . Florida is about to declare war on Georgia, the only state in the union which allows the sale of the 'crackers' . . .

"The string of broken dates a girl could knot was a generally accepted measure of her success, and if the number of broken hearts even approximates the broken dates, the country is on the verge of a mass psychotic state.

"The color, sound, and interminable rumbling of this little corner of the world made it one of the most sensually titillating spots in history. Cries of 'Gotcha!' filled the air, sights of coconut-tree climbers perched above a huge audience, coconut-like, were met at every turn of the head, and the befuddled police retorted by jailing 500.

"Perhaps the most brilliant stroke was conceived by a Yale student who bought hundreds of Yale sweatshirts in New Haven and sold them on the beach for a 1000 per cent profit . . . who forgot to raid the House of Walsh?"

HOT SHORTS — The following comes from the New York Times: " 'No one demands the right to bring Eichmann to justice except the state of $srael,' Mr. Hausner said." The red lighted door in the open reserve room in the library basement leads nowhere. "Boroff (Mademoiselle) **thinks that a Smith education is at least considered ideal for a PTA chairmanship."** (Colgate Maroon) **"The Sinners are conducting tryouts tomorrow in South Hall 11 at 1:30 p.m. Any girl with a 2.0 average last semester is eligible."** (The Hill News **of Saint Lawrence.) A rushing advertisement from the Union** Concordiensis —

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Student Notes Decrease In Applications to College

—by Dick Skillman

In a year when more secondary school seniors than ever before are applying for admission to the nation's colleges, applications to Hamilton have dropped considerably below last year's total.

According to figures quoted by Mr. Carl Wheeler, Assistant Secretary of Admissions, the College has received 12 percent fewer applications from next year's college freshmen than it had received by this date last year.

Mr. Sidney B. Bennett, Secretary of Admissions, noted that similar decreases have occurred at many other highly rated schools. He observed that "it would appear that the stronger the college is, the more likely it is to have observed the decrease."

Wheeler added that Hamilton is "in good company," since most of the Ivy League schools, as well as Amherst, Weslyan, and Williams have experienced such decreases.

A recent article in *Time* Magazine supports Wheeler's contention. According to the article, applications to Harvard and Princeton are four to five per cent lower this year; to Dartmouth, eight per cent lower; to Brown, ten per cent lower; and to Amherst, twenty per cent lower.

For Hamilton, this decrease reverses the trend of preceding years. In the recent past, Wheeler noted, there has been a yearly increase in applications of about the same size as the decrease which occurred this year.

Both Bennett and Wheeler suggested that one reason for the decrease in the number of applicants is that high school seniors are receiving more realistic college counseling. Wheeler remarked, "We sense that many of the men we are losing are coming off the bottom." There were fewer "hopeless cases" among this year's applicants, according to Wheeler.

Wheeler offered as another probable reason for the drop in applications the increasing number of early acceptances. Hamilton, he noted, increased its number of early acceptances from 32 last year to 61 this year. As more high school seniors become aware of the early admissions procedure, more request and receive early acceptance; as a result, fewer high school seniors apply to several schools.

Bennett stressed that this reduction in applications will not affect the quality of future freshman classes. Wheeler noted that the average of college board scores sent by applicants to Hamilton rose again this year.

While praising the apparent improvement of high school counseling, Wheeler expressed concern that guidance counselors in secondary schools might be overstepping their bounds. He felt that counselors might be inclined to judge prospective applicants "too objectively" and without sufficient knowledge of what a school is seeking among the applicants.

Brown's Director of Admissions, Mr. Charles Doebler, who was quoted in *Time*, was even more concerned about the high school counselor's role. "Publicity about tough admissions has backfired," remarked Doebler. He noted that he is "not sure that the right people are here at all. Some darned good kids could be scared out of applying for no good reason."

Utica Museum Holds Exhibit Of Work by Local Painters

The Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute is currently displaying relics of the Civil War and paintings of local artists.

Oneida County in the Civil War, on display at Fountain Elms, the house museum of the Institute, includes materials from the Oneida Historical Society and from area residents.

The exhibition includes uniforms, ammunition, guns, and field equipment. It will be on view through September.

The Utica Art Club is sponsoring an exhibition of paintings and sculptures of 56 area residents.

Both oil and watercolor paintings are on display. Sculptures in stone, wood, plaster, clay, steel, and copper are included in this collection.

The display will be in the auditorium gallery of the Museum of Art until May 7.

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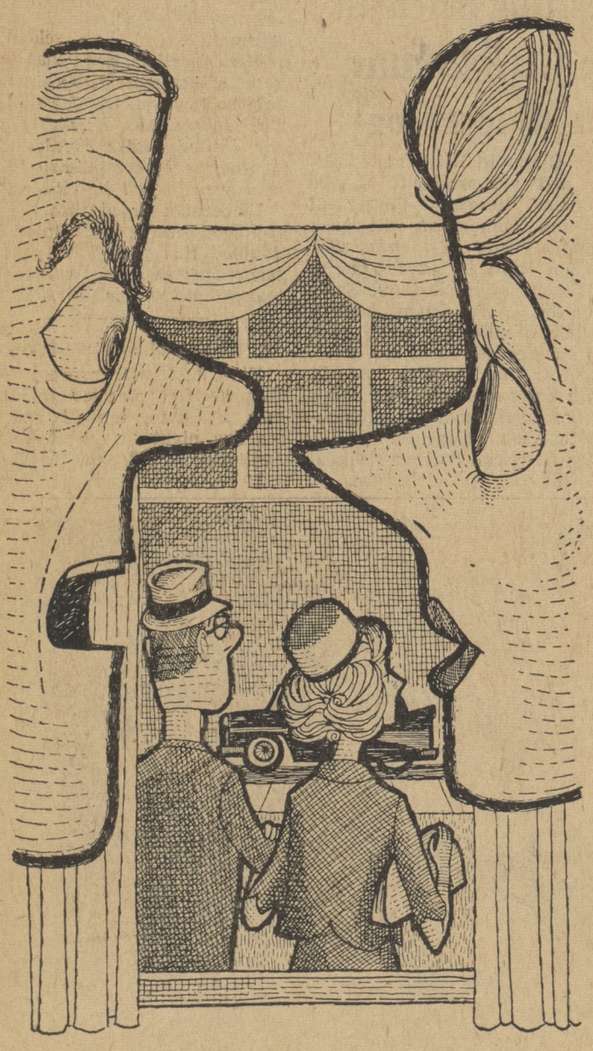

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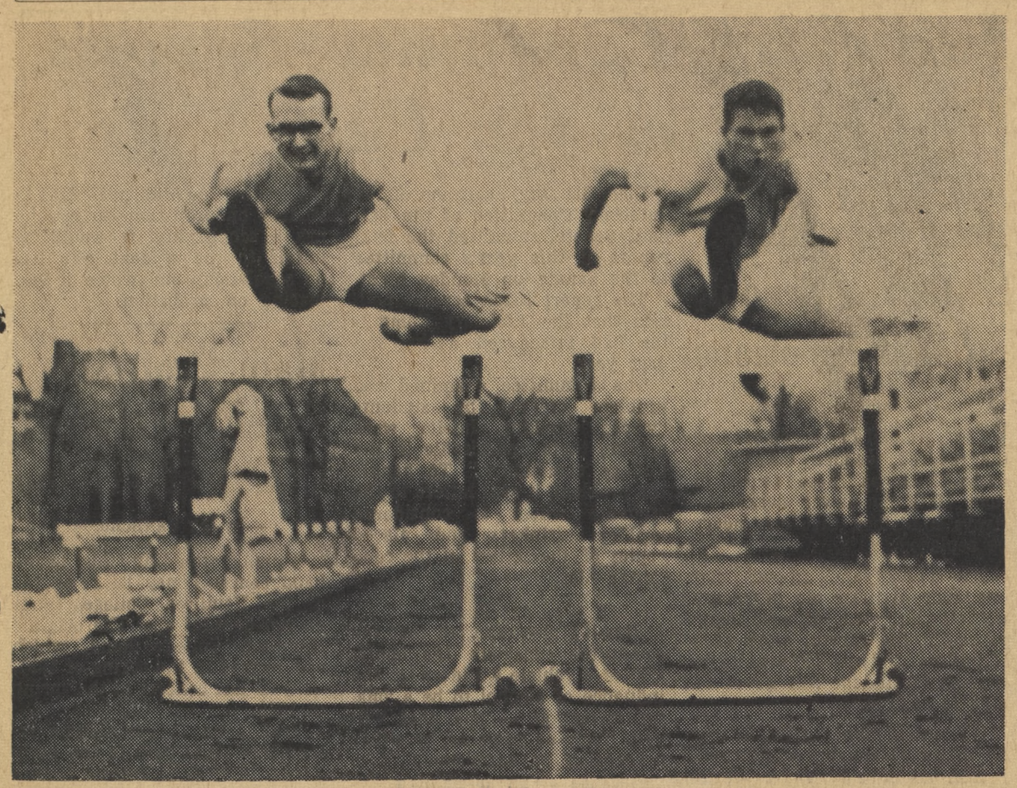

HURDLERS — Lanie Eagleton, left, and Norm Boggs scale the high hurdles in a practice session early this week. They will participate in the track meet tomorrow against Union at 2 p.m. when the Continentals open their 1961 season.

Powerful Continental Track Squad To Meet Union in Season Opener

Hamilton's track team will open its 1961 season against Union here tomorrow afternoon at 2 p.m. Although bad weather has hindered their outdoor practice, the Continentals have the experience of a successful indoor season.

Coach Gene Long considers Union exceptionally strong in the field events. Hanle is an excellent performer in the shot and discus and placed in the javelin in last year's state meet. In the pole vault, Shaff of Union has cleared eleven feet.

The key men in Union's running events are Connery, Solstad, Lavery, and Gerkin. Connery is favored in the 100, whereas he and Bob Brown of Hamilton are favored in the 220. In the high hurdles, the combination of Solstad and Lavery should, according to Long, extend Norm Boggs and Lanie Eagleton of Hamilton to their fullest performance. Gerkin and Lavery are Union's key men in the low hurdles.

But Hamilton will field a team which won the Union College indoor invitational track meet and which is looking for a victory in this year's state met.

In the field events the Continentals will be contending against the strongest part of the Union team. Jay Welsh, Jack Messersmith, and Marty Linihan are entered in the shot put, and Deming Payne, Norm Boggs and Dave Rising will throw the javelin. Payne beat Hanle last year in dual meet competition in the javelin.

The entrants in the broad jump will be selected from Jake Frohn, Ed Taft, Dick Hall, Dick Lynde, and Ulrich Schaub. Don McCouch, Bill Anstine, and Boggs are entered in the high jump, whereas Steve Cooney, Pete Bowles, and converted two-miler Dave Cook will pole vault. Jay Welsh is the only Continental in the discus.

The Continentals have been strong in running events during the indoor season. They displayed great depth by winning the Union invitational indoor meet last month without gaining a single first place.

John McMartin, Phil Hineline, and Walt Pritchard will run the mile tomorrow for the Continentals, and Holmes Brown, Hal von Brockdorf, and George Paul will run the 440. In a recent trial, von Brockdorf ran the 440 in 50.9 seconds, the fastest time which Long has seen here during his eight years of coaching.

Taft, Payne, and Schaub will run the 100 for the Continentals, whereas Boggs, Lanie Eagleton, and Bowles will run the high hurdles. In the 880, Howie Wilcox, McMartin, and Bill Graves are entered. Bob Brown, Payne and Frohn are entered in the 220.

Running the low hurdles for the Continentals are Cooney, Boggs, and Dominick Pallotta. The two-mile will be run by Hineline, Bill Morgan, and Gregg Harms. The mile relay team will be selected from Bob Brown, Ham Brown, Holmes Brown, Paul, Payne, Wilcox, and vonBrockdorf.

Hamilton To Meet Rochester Team On Tennis Courts

Hamilton's tennis team will travel to Ithaca tomorrow to play its first match of the season.

Coach Mox Weber announced that John Reilly, Don Epstein, Ron Ungerer, Mike Kaiser, Stan Schorb, and either Jim Memmot, Don Thiergard, or Hank Schmidt will play in singles matches for Hamilton in the contest.

The doubles teams will be Reilly and Epstein, Kaiser and Schorb, and Ungerer and either Memmot, Thiergard, or Schmidt.

Last Saturday, Apr. 15, the Continentals lost to the experienced Utica Tennis Club in a practice match. Kaiser and Memmot, the only winners for the Continentals, won two of the seven singles matches. Hamilton also tied one singles match and the doubles match.

Weber noted that Hank Drewal sprained his ankle badly in the contest. He did not know whether Drewal would be able to play again this year.

Weber feels that Rochester, one of the best teams in upstate New York, will provide Hamilton with its toughest competition this year.

Colgate Professor To Give Sermon In Chapel Sunday

Dr. William Hamilton, professor of theology and ethics of Colgate Rochester Divinity School, will speak in Chapel on Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

A former dean of the Hamilton Chapel from 1951-1953 and an assistant professor of philosophy and religion, Dr. Hamilton was graduated from Oberlin and received an S.D. degree from the Union Theological Seminary. He has received a Ph.D. from the University of St. Andrews in Scotland.

Dr. Hamilton has moderated and written scripts for *Look Up and Live*, a television program sponsored by the National Council of Churches. He has also written two books and is a member of several professional organizations.

Senate To Meet

The Student Senate will meet on Wednesday, Apr. 26, at 8 p.m. in Root 24.

Hill Baseball Team Opens at Rochester

—*by* PERRY WHEATON

The Hamilton baseball team opened its season this afternoon with an away game against the University of Rochester. The Yellowjackets defeated Hamilton twice last year by scores of 22-15 and 8-0.

Tomorrow the Continentals will travel to Geneva where they will oppose Hobart. The Statesmen have a nucleus of eight returning lettermen including their leading hitter and pitcher. Hamilton defeated Hobart in the first game between the teams last year by a score of 6-3. In the second game, Hobart shut out the Continentals by a score of 3-0.

The Continentals will play their first home game of the season next Wednesday against Union. Last year Union defeated Hamilton twice by scores of 19-8 and 11-7.

The Continentals have 13 players, including nine lettermen, who have returned from last year. The strong point of the team will probably be hitting. Captain Al Ahrens, Tim Gow and Pete Lindley all hit over .300 for last year's team, which posted a 3-6 record. Don Burns, a freshman, also has good power.

Batt's starting infield will probably consist of Ahrens at first base, Pat McDonnell or Bob Miller at second, Burns at shortstop and Lindley at third. Lindley, who played short last year, moved to his natural position at third base when Burns joined the squad. With Lindley at third base, Batt now can use last year's starting third baseman, McDonnell, at second base to fill the gap left by the graduation of Pogo Collins.

Gow will start in center field, while Doug Kirkpatrick will probably start in right and Ken Tucker in left.

Either Dick Blessing or John Sullivan will be the starting catcher.

Hamilton's pitching strength has not yet been tested. Two veteran pitchers, Frank Sachs and John Soffey, and freshmen Don Sweeney and John Elliott will probably play in the first three games.

Lacrosse Squad To Open Season Against Cortland

After two weeks of outdoor practice and a scrimmage with Sienna last Saturday, Hamilton's lacrosse team will play its first game of the season against a strong Cortland team tomorrow at Cortland.

Coach Manfred von Schiller hopes to better last year's record, but he anticipates a difficult season because of the abilities of the Continentals' opponents.

This year's team includes many experienced players. The entire first attack has returned from last year, as have one starting midfielder and several defensemen.

The strongest asset of the team, according to von Schiller, is its attack. Composed of starters Joe Schoonover, Nevett Steele, and Co-captain Rod Ramsay, the attack has good scoring potential. Dan Green, a freshman, should add depth to the line.

The first two midfield teams should provide additional strength, von Schiller said. The first line, composed of Jack Zeis, Hack Bushweller, and Co-captain Steve Holden, has the most experience. Seymour Smith, Harvey Singer, and Andy Kepler have potential as a second midfield team, but they lack experience. The third and fourth midfield teams should provide defensive aid but appear to lack scoring power, von Schiller noted.

The defensive squad appears to be the weakest link on the team, according to von Schiller. Gary Mahood, Tank Turner, and Bruce Sawyer are the starting defensemen, whereas Tag Adams and Pete Goodnough are on the second team.

Bob Job will tend the goal for the Continentals this year. He will replace Tom Perkins, who was graduated last year.

The Continentals will meet Cortland again this season and will also oppose Hobart, Clarkson, Union, and Colgate. Von Schiller anticipates strong competition from Colgate, Hobart and Cortland.

Hamilton Golfers Oppose Rochester In Opening Match

Hamilton's golf team traveled to Rochester this afternoon to open its schedule against a powerful Yellowjacket team on the Oak Hill course.

Carl Hayden, Jon Sheeser, and Leon Kantor started for the Continentals. All three men were members of the team which placed second in the golf championship of the East Coast Athletic Conference last fall.

Tomorrow the team will travel to Hobart, and on Wednesday it will host Hartwick at 3:30 p.m. on the Hamilton B. Tompkins Golf Course. Hartwick will return with the same team which posted an 8-2 record last year.

The junior varsity will open its season here on Wednesday afternoon, when it will meet Mohawk Valley Technical Institute. After hosting the MVTI squad again on May 6, the J.V. team will travel to Colgate for a match on May 9 and will then return to close its season here against Griffiss Air Force Base on May 13.

The junior varsity squad is composed of Jon Kinne, Bob Harvey, Stu Masters, Al Thomas, Phil Hornburg, Tom Starr, Carl Meier, Nelson Collamer, and Pete Lathrop.

History Professor To Speak on Hill

Mr. C. Vann Woodward, professor of history at Johns Hopkins University, will give a lecture entitled *The End of Security* on April 27, at 8:15 p.m. in the Chapel.

The Phi Beta Kappa Society will sponsor the lecture.

The Hot Corner

AN OUTSTANDING ATHLETE

If Hobart does not throw a right-hander against Hamilton in the season opener at Geneva today, the main reason is just plain fear of Al Ahrens. "Big 'Rehns" has done enough harm with his bat to keep the pitchers cautious and to get attention from more than one major league scout. Captain of the baseball team this year, Al is ending an outstanding career in athletics at Hamilton College.

Al Ahrens

In his freshman year, playing both left and right wing on the soccer team, Al tied for high scoring honors. Then in baseball that spring he showed enough early promise to move veteran Scott Finnegan off first base. He fulfilled his promise and at the end of the year sported a .320 batting average and a respectable fielding average. He had established himself as Hamilton's clean-up hitter and had gained considerable respect from opposing pitchers.

Al claims to have had his best year in soccer as a sophomore, although his scoring output went down. There can be little doubt as to his success with the hickory and the horse hide. He began his sophomore season with a pair of homers in the opening game and finished it with a .490 batting average, which put him tenth among the nation's small college hitters. The vote for most valuable player was hardly necessary that year.

In his junior year Al was sidelined during most of the soccer season by ankle injuries, but Palle Anderson, the exchange student and scoring leader of last year's soccer team, called Al "the best player you have here." Al missed Winter Carnival because of an appendectomy, and had, quite obviously, not recovered by the beginning of the baseball season. His batting dropped substantially, but he still impressed Lyle Garnish, Hobart's coach, who was then bird-dogging for the Los Angeles Dodgers. Spike was interested enough in Al to obtain a summer job for him in a brass works at Gault, Ontario, where he could gain valuable experience playing ball. At the close of the season he was elected captain of this year's baseball team.

This fall Al — claiming to have profited from his ball playing experience and mysteriously silent about the charms of Canadian women — returned from Canada. He played both inside positions on the soccer team, received an honorable mention to the All-New York small college soccer team, and is certainly in the running for M.V.P. honors at Hamilton.

On the ball field, Captain Al seems to be ready to match his sophomore year's performance. But he still admits to a few of his closer friends that he is just a little leery of left-handed pitchers.

This year's team, claims Al, is the strongest since he has been here. "We've been frustrated so far by the weather, but we're sure we've got an offensively powerful team — we can only wait and see how our pitching will develop."

This year for the first time, the team's morale will be bolstered with numbers (yes, just like the big leagues) on uniform shirts. Who knows, another .490 and they may retire "number four" after only one year of service.

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Peggy Wood Presents Poetry of Late Husband

—*by* DAVE ESPEY

Actress Peggy Wood combined her many years of theatrical experience with an intimate understanding of the poetry of John Weaver, '14, in her reading Monday night at the Root Art Center.

Miss Wood, a veteran of more than 40 years in the entertainment world, is best known for her role in the television series, *I Remember Mama.*

Weaver enjoyed a successful career as a journalist, movie critic, and script writer. He produced most of his poetry in the period from 1921 to 1930, during which he married Miss Wood. He died in 1938.

Weaver wrote most of his poetry in "American" — a vernacular which his close friend, H. L. Mencken, called "naive, clumsy, grammarless — the vulgate of poor and hopeless folk, and yet folk who can feel."

To a person hearing it for the first time, the poetry sounds somewhat like a combination of the verse of Edgar Guest and the dialogue of *Huckleberry Finn.*

Most of Weaver's poetry is in dialogue and in free verse which often borders on prose; like any poetry or dialogue, it can best be appreciated when read aloud.

Perhaps the most significant comment one could make about the poetry after hearing the reading is that it is enjoyable. As Mencken states in his introduction to Weaver's poetry, "This is no place to attempt a definitive judgment of Weaver the Poet."

Miss Wood selected poems to illustrate Weaver's versatility in describing both country life and city life. He wrote of the passion of both the young and the old; he expressed thoughts in classic forms, such as the sonnet, and in the vernacular.

The Leaners, a poem narrated perhaps from the fifth story window of a New York tenement by a sort of Eloise of the slums, contained lines such as "And Mr. Blake / come along another time and hit Miz Blake / And fell down in a mud-puddle." Perhaps this verse is too free to be called poetry, but it was highly entertaining when read with the skill of an actress like Miss Wood.

Weaver's ability for describing "young love" ("When love hits you . . . it's like you took some dope") and the quality, which Miss Wood called, "a kind of young passion unique in his poems," is complemented by his ability to capture romantic memories in a nostalgic poem, such as *Moonlight All the Way,* a grandmother's narrative of her wedding trip. Miss Wood, thoroughly practiced in the art of creating nostalgia, transmitted the feeling of this poem to the audience perfectly.

In addition, many of the characters in the poems were drawn from persons whom Miss Wood knew intimately; this knowledge increased both the effectiveness of her delivery and her enthusiasm. Yielding at one point to the audience's desire for an encore, she exclaimed, "I'll go on—I'm all worked up now."

Weaver's descriptions of feelings, read with Miss Wood's expression, delighted the audience. *Moonlight* drew applause for such unsophisticated but spontaneous lines as "Grab a star—huh? —/Use it for soap/Beat it up to bubbles/ And white sparklin' foam."

Although he wrote most of his poetry in dialogue form, Weaver did attempt poetry in grammatical English when expressing some of his more formal or serious thoughts. The concluding lines from his *Sonnet,* printed along side the bust of Weaver in the library, express his poetic aspiration: "And if, after long years, one among men/Should say, 'Why, he touched beauty once!' Well . . . then . . ."

But even his more serious and reflective poems contain the same homey moralizing that characterizes his vernacular poetry. Even the line from *Trial Balance,* his longest and most personal poem ("I quite decided there definitely could not be a God") was read as though it were written by an amused writer looking back self-critically from the vantage point of maturity on his callow and inexperienced youth.

One can see the effects of script writing in Weaver's poetry; perhaps this quality made his poetry suited to be read aloud by an actress.

POETRY READING — Miss Peggy Wood, noted stage and television personality, reads selections from the poetry of her late husband, Johnny Weaver, '14, at the Root Art Center.

Hill Bridge Club Holds First Meet In New League

Hamilton's Bridge Club last Sunday sponsored its first duplicate tournament under a sanction from the American Contract Bridge League.

Paul Hamlin and Bob Ehrlich won the east-west competition whereas Mr. and Mrs. David Gersten of Utica finished first in north-south competition.

Michael Myers, president of the club and director of the tournament, noted that 32 players from the College and the Utica-Rome area participated.

The club awarded .16 master points to each of the winning teams. Each second-place team won .08 points, whereas the two teams in third position each won .05 points.

Local residents played in north-south competition, whereas Hamilton students participated in east-west play. The club conducted the tournament according to the Mitchell system, under which all north-south teams are rated against one another and all east-west teams compete against each other.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Hill Students Define Dual Purpose Of Recent Paper Defending Castro

To the Editor:

Recently we circulated an extremely one-sided pro Castro paper. Our purpose was two-fold: to expose the student body to the pro-Castro arguments—"the other side," which our press naturally and unfortunately neglected. And also we wanted to stimulate emotional response among the students.

We believe that a moderate objective approach would have met with the disdain which usually greets attempts to arouse genuine political enthusiasm. But once presented, this moderate objective approach does not rob all the pro-Castro arguments of validity. Nor should our admission of the necessity of this more sophisticated approach be taken to mean that we had originally been deluded and are now rationalizing our entire original position.

Now why is it necessary to take this more objective approach?

So that the immediate emotional response might stimulate objective investigation among students in order that this issue be discussed seriously and intelligently. Even before we presented our original statement we were aware that there are valid arguments on both sides.

Unfortunately the pro-Castro argument was being grossly neglected, and the anti-Castro case was being argued from a poorly informed, decidedly prejudiced position. Already, both sides have begun to do justice to the issue, and dogmatism is giving way to considered judgment and compromise in the best sense.

Another reason for the necessity of the moderate approach.

Only through informed discussion can we arrive at the crux of the issue; and that is that our policy toward Cuba is only symptomatic of the failings of U.S. foreign policy in the last decade.

We are caught in an *apparent* dilemma; a choice between what we believe to be politically expedient on the one hand, and what is morally just and consistent with the tenet of self determination on the other.

That Castro has established a political tyranny is undeniable. But those grounds alone do not warrant U.S. action of supporting a counter-revolution. For we support the tyrannies of many other countries: The Domincan Republic, Spain, Portugal, and Yugoslavia, to name a few. There is a definite, hypocritical inconsistency in denying support to Castro on the grounds that he is a tyrant, which we have done, while at the same time we support other tyrants.

For the purpose of this letter this one argument must suffice as an example of the labyrinth of inconsistencies in our foreign policy; because now our primary task is to offer reasons for the necessity of the moderate approach and not the fruits of that approach.

We believe that informed discussion and genuine compromise have clarified issues somewhat for this student body. Is it not reasonable to believe that informed discussions on equal terms at the international level will clarify the issue and perhaps even produce some kind of mutual understanding between the U.S. and Cuba? It lies with the U.S. to initiate, or at least accept terms for immediate negotiation with Cuba. Here Edmund Burke has offered advice. "Magnanimity in politics is [often] the truest wisdom; and a great empire and little minds go ill together."

We have three choices:

1. Continued half-hearted intervention which will antagonize Latin American peoples and which probably will not succeed in ousting Castro.

2. Russian style Hungarian intervention which will assuredly oust Castro, but which just as assuredly will defeat our ultimate goal of a friendly Latin America.

3. Probably the most effective way—and perhaps the only one—to resolve political expediency with our professed morality: the moderate approach of peaceful settlement, which of course is not guaranteed to succeed, but which does seem to be the most reasonable of the three choices.

Alan Howard
Ken Kahn

COMMEMORATING CIVIL WAR —

Grant Tells of Centennial

—*by* DOUG WHEELER

In the book-lined library of his home on College Hill Road, Maj. Gen. Ulysses Simpson Grant III recently told the *Spectator* of his work as Chairman of the National Civil War Centennial Commission.

Grant, the grandson of the man who led the Union armies 100 years ago, does not agree with those who urge America "to forgive and forget" the period during which the nation was divided. In a speech to the New York Historical Society at Oswego in September, the General urged that the Centennial Commemoration "give us a new understanding of the way in which Americans built from suffering and sacrifice an enduring nation and a lasting peace."

As Chairman of the Commission established by Congress in 1957, Grant is responsible for the coordination of Centennial programs planned by 45 states. The opening of activities on January 8 was marked by a message from President Eisenhower and a ceremony at the tomb of Grant's grandfather in New York City.

Activities are scheduled to end on April 15, 1965, when the Minnesota Civil War Centennial Commission will honor Albert Woolson, last survivor of the Civil War. Until then, nearly every state will commemorate events of local importance.

The National Commission has already published a guide for the observance of the Centennial dedicated "to the memory of the Union and Confederate Soldiers and Sailors of the Civil War." It has also prepared a chronology of 6500 events during the war and arranged for nation-wide publicity during the four-year period.

Though he regrets the possibility of commercialization, already examined by several publications, Gen. Grant insists that "you can't tell the American people what to do and what not to do."

Of the problems faced by Gen. Grant as chairman, none has received the publiicty accorded the conflict over the Fourth National Assembly, held Apr. 11 at Charleston, South Carolina. Originally scheduled at a hotel there, the meeting was transferred to a nearby naval base after the New Jersey delegation was told that a Negro member would not be lodged in the headquarters hotel.

The issue was considered by the Commission's Executive Committee, but action was impossible because it lacked the authority either to force the New Jersey Commission to attend or to require its hosts in South Carolina to violate their state laws.

President Kennedy asked that the Commission comply with his policy of non-segregation, and the meeting was shifted to the integrated base. Since this issue has been raised, Grant explained, he has been in close contact with the White House.

Ulysses S. Grant III was born in Chicago on July 4, 1881. He attended school in Vienna while his father, Frederick Dent Grant, was Minister to Austria-Hungary and later in New York, when the elder Grant was Police Commissioner there.

After studying briefly at Columbia College, Grant spent much time with his father in the Spanish-American War—first in training camps and then in Puerto Rico. In 1899, he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point and was graduated sixth in a class that included Douglas MacArthur. Grant then served with the Army Corps of Engineers in the Philippines, Cuba, Mexico, and the United States.

After serving during World War I as Secretary to the American section of the Supreme War Council, the General was in 1926 appointed Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks in Washington. During World War II, he commanded the Engineer Training Center at Fort Leonard Wood and served with the Office of Civilian Defense. In 1944, he became chairman of the National Park and Planning Commission. From 1946 to 1951, Grant served as Vice-President of George Washington University.

Grant married Edith Root when her father, Elihu Root, '64, was Secretary of State. Gen. and Mrs. Grant formerly lived in Washington and although they maintain a residence there, Mrs. Grant has been confined by illness to their Clinton home.

The rambling building was described by the *New York Times* in an article about the General as an "old, comfortable house situated on a Hill facing the campus of Hamilton College." Grant spends much of his time elsewhere working for the Commission of which he is chairman.

One of the many articles he has written about the Civil War appears in the current issue of *National Geographic Magazine.* It is accompanied by drawings prepared from the map on which his grandfather planned operations. Grant, who holds Distinguished Service Medals, the Legion of Merit, and decorations from six foreign countries, remains interested in the Civil War because he believes that "human history contains few lessons more inspiring than this."

Poet To Present Reading of Work

Mr. Kenneth Koch will read selections from his own poetry on Monday at 8 p.m. in the Root Art Center.

Koch, a modern poet, has appeared at the Five Spot Cafe in New York City, where he and Larry Rivers presented a jazz and poetry program.

Judiciary Committee Reports On Policies for Past Year

Desk Tops Show History of School, Student Emotions

—*by* JAY VANSCHOICK

The gradual replacement of the revered, wooden, side-saddle desks, such as those found in Root Hall, by newer desks destroys a history that can never be replaced.

The cracks and grooves that one finds in those old desks are not all the result of age; many represent the careful work of a Hamilton student—lecture hours that some student will never be able to replace.

Did one student, seated in seat 58 in the Chemistry auditorium, realize as he carved the letters SQUIRES in his desk that the organization whose name he was writing would one day disband? On many desks one finds the initials of Hamilton's fraternities, some of which have now disappeared from the Hill.

Of course, some marks found on these desks—Skidmore, Vassar, Wells, and Smith—do not have great historical significance. In addition, many of the terms are not suitable for publication. Others give a blow-by-blow account of one student's struggle during an hour exam or an in-class theme: "despair, dispair;" "down with Big Brother;" "God is fallible." Other engravings tell of deep personal problems — "Corky, Corky, Corky, Corky . . ."

But the old, wooden desks must share their glory with their newer counterparts. The clear, smooth surface of the new desks is ideal for art work, and many magnificent specimens can be found. The new desks have a decided disadvantage, however, for drawings can easily be erased from their surfaces; indeed, inscriptions are smeared beyond comprehension.

Dick Blessing, chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the Student Senate, submitted the final report of this year's committee to the Senate on Monday night.

The report listed several policies that the Judiciary Committee had introduced during the past year.

The committee examined the problem created by students "whose drinking habits were making them undesirable in the College community." To handle the problem, it sent letters to the students whom it considered problem drinkers and placed copies of the letters in the committee files.

Major Infraction

Blessing also reported that the committee considers the operation of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol to be a "major infraction — one that will very likely be punished by either suspension or expulsion."

Because of an amendment recently made to the constitution of the Student Senate, the membership of Judiciary Committee has been changed.

Next year's committee will consist of four elected members of the Senate. They are the president of the Senate, the president of the senior class, the president of the junior class, and the junior representative-at-large.

The committee, Blessing noted, proposed the change in order to permit students to vote directly for those who would judge them and to add importance to the class elections.

Chapel Announcements

Blessing added that the committee feels that "judiciary action should be announced in Chapel whenever this is not impractical." He noted that it might be a good idea for the *Spectator* to publish the committee's policy on drunken driving at the beginning of each academic year so that students will know what they may expect from the committee in such cases.

Another new policy of the committee was the decision to place offenders on social probation indefinitely. Those men whom the committee placed on probation could ask for a return of their social privileges after a specified date.

The last new policy was the decision that threats to freshmen resulting from the rushing system constitute conduct unbecoming a gentleman. The committee now has jurisdiction over such cases, and Blessing noted that it favors strong punishment to prevent such incidents.

Scholarship Problem

Blessing noted one problem which the committee feels next year's group should solve. Under the present rules, a student who has a scholarship will lose it if the committee places him on so-istration expects better behavior istration expects beter behavior from students with scholarships.

Blessing commented that to place a student with a large scholarship and one with no scholarship on social probation for the same offense would be to punish one more severely than the other. However, he noted, if the committee did not place a student on probation *because* he has a scholarship, it would be unfair to the student who has no scholarship and whom it was placing on probation.

Appointments . . .

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University, where she has been a lecturer for the past two years. She has also taught at the University of Maryland, Wakayama University in Japan, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, and Oswego State Teachers College.

David T. Graves will be an instructor in mathematics for the coming year.

McEwen also announced several faculty promotions. Mr. Robert B. Browning, a member of the faculty since 1949, will become a professor of German. Mr. Donald J. Denney, a member of the department of chemistry since 1957, will become an associate professor. Mr. John F. Ellis, a member of the department of biology since 1959, will be an associate professor. Mr. George L. Geis, a member of the department of psychology since 1959, will be promoted to the rank of an assistant professor.

Mr. Charles L. Todd, professor of public speaking since 1959, and Mr. Thomas E. Colby, assistant professor of German since 1959, will be granted tenure as of July 1, 1961.

Spectator Errors

The *Spectator* last week omitted from a story the title of the Book of the Month. Dr. Charles C. Adler, Jr. reviewed *The Great Contest: Russia and the West.*

Math Professor Speaks on History Of Hamilton Band

—*by* JAY VANSCHOICK

Alumni attending this year's band concerts may be reminded of the Hamilton College bands of two decades ago. The original Hamilton College Band, which was formed in the spring of 1931, held its last concert in the spring of 1942.

Prof. John P. van Alstyne remembers those days in the early 1940's. In 1939 he became faculty director of the band, a position similar to Mr. McClintock's today. "We played for football, basketball, and hockey games," he said. "We tried to have two or three concerts each year, and, of course, we played for commencement."

The band usually gave one concert during January and another in May. The May concert was an open-air performance, given in front of the library. The *Hamiltonian* for 1942 describes the crowds of people that attended such concerts.

Begun in 1931

The Hamilton College Band was begun in the spring of 1931 by Richard J. Redmond '33. Although the 1932 band broadcast over station WIBX of Utica, its main function was to perform for pep rallies and athletic events. In fact, the band traveled to Union, Rochester, and other neighboring colleges in order to support athletic teams.

A 1934 *Hamiltonian* notes that the band specialized in marching formations. Such marching was done in uniforms consisting of a dark pull-over sweater and white slacks.

In 1937, Sam Lake, the new director of the band, decided to transform it into a concert band. One or two years later, Mr. William P. Scheuler, a member of the Utica Symphony Orchestra and a former soloist with the Sousa band, agreed to direct it in practice sessions every Monday evening.

Musicians Good

Van Alstyne recalls that musicians in the band were generally quite good. One graduate of the Hamilton College Band, Dick Griffith, is now a music director at Potsdam State Teachers College.

Clarence Alrich, a drum major, won a national competition in baton twirling.

By 1939 the band had new uniforms—buff and blue crew hats and coats.

Small Awards

Since students playing in the band did not receive college credit towards gradudation, other small awards were presented to members for faithful service. Freshmen and sophomores received a small key, and a select number of three year veterans recived blue blaers.

The band's last concert was given in the spring of 1942. It could not remain in existance during the school year 1942-43 because of the Second World War.

DEBATE WINNERS — The members and coach of the Colgate Debate Club display the trophy and plaque which they were awarded after they won the Willard B. Marsh Memorial Debate Tournament last weekend. Colgate led 22 schools in the competition.